

**South-Western City Schools
Minutes – Regular Meeting
October 23, 2023**

The South-Western City Board of Education met in regular session on October 23, 2023, 7:00 p.m. at Pleasant View Middle School (2767 Holt Rd. Grove City, OH 43123) with the following members present:

Chris Boso
Anthony Caldwell
Cathy Johnson
Kelli Martindale
Lee Schreiner

23-103 Mr. Schreiner moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented for the October 23, 2023 Regular Meeting.

Ms. Martindale seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Schreiner, Aye; Ms. Martindale, Aye; Mr. Boso, Aye;
Ms. Johnson, Aye; Mr. Caldwell, Aye.

Motion Carried

23-104 Mr. Boso moved that the Board of Education approve the meeting minutes for the October 9, 2023 meeting as attached.

Ms. Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Boso, Aye; Ms. Johnson, Aye; Ms. Martindale, Aye;
Mr. Schreiner, Aye; Mr. Caldwell, Aye.

Motion Carried

[2023 10 09 Minutes.pdf \(253 KB\)](#)

PRESENTATION

1. AP Scholars & National Merit Scholars - Dr. Erik Shuey, Executive Director, Secondary Education and Athletics
 - a. Dr. Shuey honored District AP Scholars & National Merit Scholars

[AP Scholar Board Presentation for 2022-2023 Students.pdf \(293 KB\)](#)

23-105 Mr. Boso moved that the Board of Education approve the Facilities Development items as presented.

1. Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Professional Design Services Agreement with Schorr Architects, Inc., for the Renovations to the District Service Center and the Transportation Service Center.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the South-Western City School District (the "Board") is planning for the renovations to the District Service Center and the Transportation Service Center (the "Project");

WHEREAS, the Project requires professional design services to be provided by a professional design firm previously approved by the Board as qualified under Ohio law;

WHEREAS, Schorr Architects, Inc. having previously submitted its professional qualifications to the District, has provided a proposal for the design services required for the various scopes of work intended for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the District's staff has reviewed the proposal submitted by Schorr Architects, Inc., and now recommends that the Board authorize and approve a professional design agreement with Schorr Architects, Inc. for

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the negotiated sum of \$255,000.00 (Two Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars), for the Design, Bidding, and Construction Administration stages, with an additional allocation for permitting and plan reproduction costs totaling approximately \$33,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the South-Western City School District Board of Education, County of Franklin, State of Ohio, that:

Section I. A professional design services agreement with Schorr Architects, Inc. is hereby authorized and approved by the Board, in the amount of \$255,000.00 for the professional services during the Design, Bidding, and Construction stages of the Project, in addition to expenses for construction permitting and plan reproduction costs of approximately \$33,000.00.

Section II. The Treasurer and Board President are hereby authorized to execute the professional design services agreement with Schorr Architects, Inc. for implementation of this Resolution.

Section III. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its Committees that resulted in such formal actions, were adopted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

2. Advertise for Bids for Repairs and Renovations at DSC and Transportation Facilities

Resolution Authorizing South-Western City School District Staff to Advertise and Issue an Invitation to Submit Bids for a Contract for Repairs and Renovations at DSC and Transportation

WHEREAS, the District Service Center (DSC) and Transportation Service Center (Transportation) are in need of repairs and renovations the cost of which will exceed \$50,000 (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the South-Western City School District (the "Board") must authorize the public advertisement and solicitation of competitive bids for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to authorize the advertisement and solicitation for competitive bids for the procurement of construction services and materials for the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the South-Western City School District's Board of Education, County of Franklin, State of Ohio, that:

Section I. The South-Western City School District Administrative Staff is hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to advertise and issue the invitation to bid for the contract for Repairs and Renovations at DSC and Transportation.

Section II. The Treasurer and Board President are hereby authorized to take the appropriate and necessary actions for implementation of this Resolution.

Section III. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were performed in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its Committees that resulted in such formal actions, were adopted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Mr. Schreiner seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Boso, Aye;	Mr. Schreiner, Aye;	Ms. Johnson, Aye;
Ms. Martindale, Aye;	Mr. Caldwell, Aye.	

Motion Carried

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23-106 **Ms. Martindale moved** that the Board of Education approve the Students/School/Community items as presented.

1. Central Crossing High School NJROTC Cadets to Travel to Camp Ernst in Burlington, Kentucky

WHEREAS, NJROTC cadets from Central Crossing High School have the opportunity to attend orientation at Camp Ernst in Burlington, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, the trip is planned for December 2, 2023 and students will miss 0 days of school; and

WHEREAS, approximately 10 students will be accompanied by 1 adult chaperone; and

WHEREAS, transportation will be via school bus; and

WHEREAS, trip expenses will be paid by NJROTC boosters and students/parents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South-Western City School District's Board of Education hereby authorizes Central Crossing High School NJROTC cadets to travel to Burlington, KY.

2. Grove City High School Show Choirs to Travel to Ball State University

WHEREAS, Grove City High School Show Choir students have the opportunity to travel to Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana to compete; and

WHEREAS, the trip is planned for January 26-28, 2024 (overnight date depending upon performance schedule when released) and students will miss zero days of school; and

WHEREAS, approximately 125 students will be accompanied by 16 adult chaperones; and

WHEREAS, transportation will be via school bus; and

WHEREAS, trip expenses will be paid by choir boosters, parents and students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South-Western City School District's Board of Education hereby authorizes Grove City High School Show Choir students to travel to Ball State University.

3. Grove City High School Softball Team to Travel to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

WHEREAS, the Grove City High School Softball Team wishes to compete in a spring softball tournament in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the trip is planned for March 23 - March 30, 2024 and students will miss zero class time due to the Spring Break holiday; and

WHEREAS, 16 students will be accompanied by 6 adult chaperones; and

WHEREAS, transportation will be via private automobiles and accommodations will be at the 3200 N. Ocean Blvd., N Myrtle Beach, SC; and

WHEREAS, trip expenses will be paid through parents/students and fund-raising activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South-Western City School District's Board of Education hereby authorizes the Grove City High School Softball Team to travel to Myrtle, Beach, SC.

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Mr. Boso seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ms. Martindale, Aye; Mr. Boso, Aye; Ms. Johnson, Aye;

Mr. Schreiner, Aye; Mr. Caldwell, Aye.

Motion Carried

23-107 Mr. Schreiner moved that the Board of Education approve the Personnel items as presented.

CERTIFICATED RESIGNATIONS

1. Resignations - Regular

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Justus, Paige N.	EFES/3rd Grade	10/6/23

2. Resignations - Retirement

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Baughman, Tamara L.	BCES/TESOL	5/31/24
Beard, Kimberlee A.	WFES/TESOL	5/31/24
Hansher, Diane R.	RAES/4th Grade	5/31/24
Lustgarten, Yvonne D.	GRIS/6th Grade	5/31/24

CERTIFICATED CHANGES IN EMPLOYMENT STATUS

1. Request for Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Reason for Request</u>	<u>Effective Date of Leave Request</u>
Biederstedt, Julie A.	MES/2nd Grade	Family Responsibility	10/9/23 through 5/31/24

2. Request for Reinstatement from Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Effective Date of Reinstatement</u>
Kenny, Alexis N.	SWCA/Cosmetology	10/9/23
Rhodes, Anne-Marie G.	RAES/Principal	10/16/23

3. Jury Duty

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Date Jury Duty Commences</u>
Marshall, Jon C.	CCHS/Asst. Principal	10/30/23

CERTIFICATED EMPLOYMENTS

1. Supplemental Contract Recommendations for Extra Duty

The following teachers have been nominated for supplemental contract assignments for the 2023-2024 school year. In accordance with Section 3319.08 of the Ohio Revised Code, it is necessary that the Board formally employ and grant supplemental contracts to these persons, to be paid in accordance with the current adopted salary schedule for

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supplemental duties. The Board of Education's obligation for these supplemental (Extra Duty) contracts is contingent upon the employee fulfilling the required certifications in the Board policy and State Board of Education Rules 3301-27-01 and 3301-27-02 and maintaining current certification in those areas.

Supplemental Contract Recommendations for Extra Duty 10.23.23.pdf (133 KB)

2. Volunteer Coaches

It is recommended that the following volunteer coaches be approved as indicated in accordance with the Board's volunteer policy for the 2023-2024 school year.

Norton Middle School

Mullens, Jacob G. - Wrestling

Sowards, Dakota A. S. - Wrestling

Pleasant View Middle School

O'Brien, Jamison O. - 7th Grade Boys' Basketball

Westland High School

Davis, Bailey - Boys' Basketball

Deal, Haley N. - Gymnastics

Hughes, Angela E. - Gymnastics

3. Substitute Teachers

In accordance with provisions of Section 3319.10 of the Ohio Revised Code, the following persons are nominated as substitute teachers for the 2023-2024 school year, in accordance with the salary schedule for substitutes adopted by the South-Western City Schools Board of Education. This employment is contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of a report from BCII which complies with the provision of ORC 3319.31 and 3319.39(B)(3).

*Denotes SWCS retiree

Name

Biddle, Thomas R.

Blackstone, Brandi N.

Humphrey, Grace C.

Jobes, Karaya N.

Martin, Kaiden R.

Mechling, Nathan P.

Murfin, Aaron M.

Shade, Victoriah R.

Smith, Leigha R.

Torio, Sheila R.

4. Substitute Pool

The following persons are nominated for the substitute pool at a rate of \$145 per day effective as indicated. This employment is contingent upon receipt by the Board of a report from BCII which complies with the provisions of ORC 3319.31 and 3319.39 (B)(3).

Name

Effective Date

Jackson, Paetton N.

10/13/23

Pate, Deshawn L.

10/17/23

Woods, Gerri L.

10/9/23

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CLASSIFIED RESIGNATIONS

1. Resignations - Regular

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Smith-Campbell, Sophia	JMS/Sp Ed Aide	10/3/23
Williams, Shawn A.	TRANS/Bus Driver	10/22/23

CLASSIFIED CHANGES IN EMPLOYMENT STATUS

1. Change of Assignment/Hours/Days

<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Old Assignment/Hours/Days/Location</u>	<u>New Assignment Hours/Days/Location</u>
Harris, Andru R.	10/13/23	Custodian/WFES	Hd Custodian-1/WFES
Lopez, Julie L.	10/9/23	Sp Ed Aide/7.0/189/GCHS	Secy II/8.0/227/DSC
Tippet, Tarin C.	10/16/23	Custodian/BPMS	Hd Custodian-2/GRIS

2. Request for Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective Date of Leave</u>
Taylor, Flora J.	DWES/Sp Ed Aide	Medical	10/2/23 through 5/30/24

3. Request for Reinstatement from Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Date of Reinstatement</u>
Underwood, P. Jill	CCHS/Secretary II	10/11/23

4. Jury Duty

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Date Jury Duty Commences</u>
Goldsmith, Nicole R.	DES/Asmt Aide	10/1/23

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENTS

1. Personnel Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary Per Hour/Hours</u>	<u>Effective Date Term of Employment</u>	<u>Location</u>
Adkins, Roxanna R.	Cook	\$17.54/4.0	10/5/23 through 5/31/24	WHS
Gilbert, Kristie L.	Sp Ed Aide	\$18.88/7.0	10/2/23 through 5/30/24	GRIS
Winell, Hope C.	PS Sp Ed Aide	\$18.88/6.5	10/9/23 through 5/30/24	FES

2. Classified Substitutes

It is recommended that the following persons be approved for "on call" work on an hourly basis in the positions indicated, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. They will be paid the hourly rate indicated, time sheets to be submitted. This employment is contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of a report from BCI, which complies with the provisions of ORC 3319.31 and 3319.39(B)(3). It is understood that all requirements for operation of a school bus in the State of Ohio must be met before substitute bus drivers can be called to work.

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Substitute Bus Driver - \$19.32 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$23.42 per hour)

Cummings, Tiffany M.

Hall, Lary L.

Rollins, Quintin F.

Somal, Sukhninder S.

Walker, Shella L.

Zuefle, Christina M

Substitute Cooks - \$14.00 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$17.54 per hour)

Duckworth, Melissa J.

Layton, Penny K.

Leal, Teresa L.

Oxley, Kaylan D.

Ryan, Teri L

Skunza, Rhonda M.

Wallace, Teresa L.

Williams, Sharon A.

Substitute Custodian - \$14.00 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$19.93 per hour)

Smith, George M.

Substitute Clerical - \$14.00 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$19.53 per hour)

Draves, Kristin N.

Turner, Janet A.

Substitute SED, DH, Bus Aide - \$15.84 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$18.88 per hour)

Conner, Kiya L.

Leasure, Lisa A.*

Littler, Christy L.

Cummings, Tiffany M.

Hall, Lary L.

Rollins, Quintin F.

Somal, Sukhninder S.

Zuefle, Christina M.

Substitute Aide - \$14.00 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$18.88 per hour)

Conner, Kiya L.

Leasure, Lisa A.*

Littler, Christy L.

MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCES FOR FORMER BOARD MEMBER

1. Message of Condolences

LESTER, JAMES – Mr. Lester served as a member of the South-Western City School District Board of Education for ten years beginning in 1998. He was Board President for three terms. Prior to his service as a Board member, Mr. Lester was a science teacher at Grove City High School for 39 years beginning September 2, 1958. In recognition of his service to our district as an educator and Board member, a motion is in order by the Board of Education expressing sympathy to the family and friends of Mr. Lester, who passed away on October 21, 2023.

Ms. Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Schreiner, Aye;

Ms. Johnson, Aye;

Mr. Boso, Aye;

Ms. Martindale, Aye;

Mr. Caldwell, Aye.

Motion Carried

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Board Items

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- a. There were no Board items for discussion.

23-108 Ms. Martindale moved that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session according to Policy 0166, to discuss matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes, consider the purchase of property for public purpose and to consider the employment of a public employee.

Mr. Boso seconded the motion

Roll Call:

Ms. Martindale;	Mr. Boso, Aye;	Ms. Johnson, Aye;
Mr. Schreiner, Aye;	Mr. Caldwell, Aye.	

Motion Carried

The Board of Education adjourned to Executive Session at 7:48 p.m.; they reconvened the meeting at 8:35 p.m. with all attending members present.

Roll Call:

Mr. Boso, Aye;	Ms. Johnson, Aye;	Ms. Martindale, Aye;
Mr. Schreiner, Aye;	Mr. Caldwell, Aye.	

Motion Carried

23-109 Ms. Johnson moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Mr. Boso seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ms. Johnson, Aye;	Mr. Boso, Aye;	Ms. Martindale, Aye;
Mr. Schreiner, Aye;	Mr. Caldwell, Aye.	

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Anthony A. Caldwell
President

Hugh W. Garside, Jr.
Treasurer